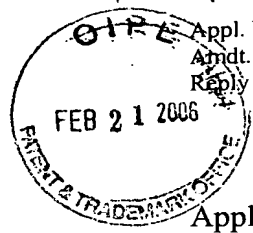


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AMENDMENT "A"

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated November 16, 2005 (Paper No. 5). The three-month period for responding to the Office action expires on February 16, 2006.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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